AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A system comprising:

one or more ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites, each ~~remote~~ client site having one or more assigned client content providers, the ~~remote~~ client site comprising:

an ingest server ingesting digital content in a decentralized upload operation to upload the digital content from a client content provider assigned to the decentralized client site, one or more ingest queue servers from a central site geographically remote from the ~~remote~~ client site directing transfer of the ingested digital content from the ingest server to [[the]] one or more first servers based on information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content,

the one or more first servers storing the ingested digital content, and

in response to a user request, at least one media server providing at least a portion of the stored digital content to the user; and

the central site servicing all of the client content providers assigned to the one or more decentralized client sites and comprising the one or more ingest queue servers that direct, as part of the decentralized upload operation, the transfer of digital content ingested by the ingest server to the one or more first servers of the decentralized client site assigned to the client content provider that is uploading the digital content.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein each client content provider is associated with a particular ~~remote~~ decentralized client site, the particular ~~remote~~ decentralized client site storing digital content of the client content provider.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content includes a location, the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site proximate to the location.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 3 wherein the location is a location of probable users of the client content provider's digital content, the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site and the client content provider's digital content thus proximate to the location of probable users.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 3 further comprising:

associating a character set within a language with the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site; and

using the associated character set in connection with the digital content at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1 wherein the one or more ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites comprise at least two or more ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites that have a relationship to each other based on geographic location.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 6 wherein transfer of digital content is based on the relationship between the two or more ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein each ~~remote~~ decentralized client site further comprises:

one or more second servers for managing digital content at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site; and

wherein the at least one media server is coupled to the one or more first servers, the at least one media server is configured to receive the user request and to read the at least a portion of [[of]] the stored digital content.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The system of claim 1 wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is a location of the client content provider.

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Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The system of claim 1 wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is an amount of digital content of the client content provider.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The system of claim 1 wherein the central site further comprises:

one or more servers configured to receive digital content and make digital content available to users.

Claim 12 (Original): The system of claim 1 wherein transfer of digital content is caused by a user's request to experience the content.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A method comprising:

receiving, at a central site geographically remote from a ~~remote~~ decentralized client site that has one or more assigned client content providers, information about digital content of a client content provider and information identifying the client content provider;

uploading, in a decentralized upload operation, the digital content from the client content provider to an ingest server at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site;

directing, by an ingest queue server at the central site as part of the decentralized upload operation ~~geographically remote from the remote site~~ and based on the information identifying the client content provider, transfer of the ingested digital content from the ingest server to another server at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site for storage by the other server; and

in response to a user request, providing at least a portion of the stored digital content to the user via a media server, the media server being located at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, wherein there are a plurality of ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites and each client content provider is associated with a particular ~~remote~~ decentralized client site of the plurality, the particular ~~remote~~ decentralized client site storing digital content of the client content provider.

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Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content includes a location, the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site being proximate to the location.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15 wherein the location is a location of probable users of the client content provider's digital content, the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site and the client content provider's digital content thus being proximate to the location of probable users.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15 further comprising:

associating a character set within a language with the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site; and

using the associated character set in connection with the digital content at the remote site.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13 wherein the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site has a relationship to at least one other ~~remote~~ decentralized client site based on geographic location.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13 wherein transfer of digital content is based on the relationship between the two or more ~~remote~~ decentralized client sites.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, further comprising:

managing the digital content by one or more management servers at the ~~remote~~ decentralized client site; and

receiving, by the at least one media server, the user request and reading the at least a portion of the stored digital content in response.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 13 wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is a location of the client.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 13 wherein the information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is an amount of digital content of the client content provider.

Claim 23 (Original): The method of claim 13 further comprising:

   receiving digital content at the central site;

   making the digital content available to users from the central site.

Claim 24 (Original): The method of claim 13 wherein transfer of digital content is in response to a request from a user to experience the content.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 24 wherein the remote site is located proximate to the user making the request.

Claims 26-42 (Cancelled)